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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated November 14, 2003, applicants request that the application be amended and reconsidered in light of the following remarks. This response is timely, with the attached Petition for an Extension of Time and Request for Continued Examination.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this document.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this document.